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ADDRESSING THE CLASS OF 1999—Glades Day School Headmaster Mandy Perez announces the names of the graduates from Glades Day School's Class of 1999 as Board member Tommy Altman looks on. Standing behind are Glades Day School's Valedictorians Derek Lamb, Eddie Motes, Brooke Prescott and Salutatorian Kit Hamilton. Graduation ceremonies were held Friday, May 28 at Glades Day School.

## Pahokee mayor passes non-mandatory drug test

Pahokee Mayor Alvis Davis held up results from a drug test taken last week to show residents he is drug free during last weeks commission meeting.

The drug screening test is taken by all city employees and though it is not a requirement to ride for political office, city officials take the test. There is nothing in the city charter that states an elected official must take a drug test.

According to City Manager Ken Schenck the test is taken for the purpose of providing insurance for the city officials and has always been taken by them.

During a previous commission meeting a resident asked Mayor Davis why he had been

in office for over a year and had not taken the test.

He responded by saying he had forgotten to take the test but would be more than glad to take the drug test.

Since the drug test is not in the city charter, city officials do have the option of refusing to take the test if they did not want the benefit of city insurance. Mr. Schenck said no one had ever refused to take the test and it has never been an issue before.

In checking with other municipalities in the Glades, Pahokee is the only city in which city officials take the drug screening test.

In other business, commissioners have concluded they will not allow barbed wire to be

placed around residential areas.

Several weeks ago Tommy Housh asked the commission for a special variance to allow him to place two strands of barbed wire around his fence on his property.

This area is zoned residential which at the present time does not allow barbed wire around the property.

Mr. Schenck presented a page from the land development regulations which states:

"Granting the variance requested will not confer on the applicant any special privilege that is denied to other lands, buildings or structures in the same zoning district."

Commissioner Henry Crawford told Mr. Schenck he knew of several homes that were in

## Circumstances suspicious in case of missing man

By Brenda Bunting  
Editor

Silvio Gonzalez of Belle Glade was not seen or heard from since April 8, 1999. His family in Miami reported him missing to the Belle Glade Police Department last week. Investigation by Det. Angelo



Silvio Gonzalez

Tsousis of the Belle Glade Police Department reveals Gonzalez was taken to Miami from his home at 817 N.E. 27th Street by his stepson on or about April 8 and dropped off at a friend's house to go fishing. Gonzalez, 66, has not been seen since.

He was last seen alive by his wife, Narcisa, before 6 a.m. on April 8.

Mr. Gonzalez is 5'7" tall and weighs approximately 170 pounds. His hair is white and has a scar on his left arm.

Det. Tsousis said there are suspicious circumstances in this case that can not be released due to the ongoing nature of the investigation, but if anyone has any information about Mr. Gonzalez they are asked to call him at 996-7251.



MAYOR OF PAHOKEE IS DRUG FREE....Pahokee Mayor Alvis Davis holds up the results from a drug screening test taken last week to show residents he is drug free.

a study of the traffic signals at 4th Street and 5th Street and has determined that these intersections do not meet the FDOT criteria for traffic signals and have recommended their removal. Their evaluation included a request by the city to move the signal from 4th Street to 5th Street.

The Florida Department of Transportation has completed

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## Lake Harbor women participate in the Leukemia Society's Suzuki Rock 'n' Roll Marathon in San Diego, California

By Brenda Bunting  
Editor

Barbara Scruggs and Martha Lynn Weeks don't plan to do a lot of walking this summer. They're kinda walked out.

The two Lake Harbor women might be a little tired of walking because they participated in the Leukemia Society's "Suzuki Rock 'n' Roll" 26 mile marathon on Sunday, May 23 in San Diego, California.

Both finished the 26 mile event in good time, despite a few blisters and assorted aches and pains. Martha Lynn finished in 6 hours, 20 minutes and Barbara was only 20 minutes behind her.

"I wasn't sure I could finish," said Barbara, who started hurting in her hip around the eight mile marker.

They joined 20,000 other participants who raised a total of \$12 million for Leukemia re-

search. The Leukemia Society's mission is to cure leukemia, lymphoma, Hodgkin's disease and myeloma and improve the quality of life of patients and their families.

The two friends have been exercise partners for several years, but this was the first marathon for both women.

It was a big commitment and a lot of work.

They began training for the marathon six months ago after they committed to the walk in November of 1998 when they attended a Leukemia Society meeting in West Palm Beach.

Both agreed to raise the \$3,000 per person required by the Leukemia Society to participate in the race.

After sending letters to local businesses and soliciting donations from friends, they found they had surpassed their goal and had raised a total of

\$7,440.

During a Team in Training session in West Palm Beach the two women were given the name of a local child with leukemia. Anel Guzman, 3, of Okeechobee Center was their "Honour Patient" and they would walk the marathon in her honor.

Martha Lynn and Barbara met Anel a couple of times during their six months training and took presents to her at Christmas. Anel has acute lymphocytic leukemia.

Barbara said thinking of Anel during the 26 mile walk helped her to focus and finish the race, even though she was in pain toward the end.

"About four years ago one of our personal goals was to participate in marathons. It also gave us an opportunity to do something good for a local person," said Barbara.

When they heard about the

marathon, Barbara said, "I told Martha, 'OK, we've been talking big. Let's check it out.'

They started serious training in December and were assigned a physical trainer, Joe Chiappa from West Palm Beach.

They were given a written schedule to follow and they walked five days a week.

"We started at three miles and then got up to six, eight, six during the week," said Barbara. During long walks they would walk on top of the dike.

Many times the women were up at 3:30 a.m. and began walking at 4:15, long before the sun peaked over the horizon. They would trek to the South Bay Campground, if it was one of the days they had a long walk, they would hike to Clewiston and go as far as the Walmar where one of their husbands would pick them up.

The farthest they ever

walked was 20 miles. "That was the limit we were required to walk," said Barbara. "They told us if you can walk 20 miles, you can walk 26."

Before they started the race that Sunday, they were given a chip timer which calculated precisely when they crossed the finish line. At every mile in the race there were Rock 'n' Roll bands playing for the walkers and runners.

Barbara and Martha Lynn were given an official Suzuki Rock 'n' Roll-Marathon T-shirt and their air fair and hotel were included in the registration fee.

Both women said they are considering participating in next year's event. "It was an amazing experience," said Martha Lynn, who added, "We plan to stay active during the summer, but we aren't planning to do a lot of walking."

**Vacation Bible School**  
Community—United Methodist Church in setting up a Vacation Bible School will be June 7-11, 1999. Through Friday from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. The church is located at 515 First Street, Belle Glade.

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Treasure Hunt, with the Bible as the map and Jesus as the Treasure.

This is a family adventure for all ages, so everyone is invited to come and join the fun.

## Gospel Showcase

Palm Beach Community College Central Campus Black Student Union is sponsoring a Gospel Showcase on Saturday, June 19, at 2 p.m. at the New Bethel Baptist Church in Belle Glade, 1101 S.W. Avenue A.

Choirs and soloists are invited to be a part of the showcase. If you believe your choir is qualified to perform outside your church, you are encouraged to send a demo tape before Monday, May 31 or please call Jenny Patterson at 1-888-402-6244 or Carnella Slydell at 992-6175.

## Free Home repairs

The men's ministry of LifeBuilders is offering free home repairs for the needy.

For more information call 996-0508.

## Computer classes

Adults interested in learning at their own pace about computer software in Windows 95, Word, Access, Excel or Powerpoint may enroll in a computer course that will take place June 14-18.

Mrs. Marion Primmer, a computer instructor, will be conducting the classes, in Glades Day School's Computer Lab. The lab will be open every day from 8 a.m. to noon and 5 to 9 p.m.

Enrollment is limited, so reserve your spot now.

For more information,

please call 996-7134 or email at [mprimmer1503@aol.com](mailto:mprimmer1503@aol.com).

## Retirement Party

A retirement party for Mrs. Sandra Jarriel will be held Wednesday, June 9 at the Dolly Hand Cultural Arts Center at 6:30 p.m. The party will recognize her three decades serving in the field of education.

Former co-workers, students and friends are invited to share in the occasion.

Contact Mrs. Robbie Everett or Mrs. Dorothy Rhodes at 924-5126 or 924-6465.

## Summer Reading Program offered

The Belle Glade Branch Library will host a Summer Reading Program Kick-off Party on Friday, June 11 from 2 to 4 p.m.

The entire family is invited to see magic and illusion by master magician Gary Lamelza of Midnight Magic. The fun will continue with games, face painting, and craft making and everything is free.

Please call 996-3453 for more information.

## Zetas to celebrate 20 years in the Glades

The members of Iota Omicron Zeta Chapter of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc. will celebrate their 20th Anniversary of service in the Glades area with a reception at the Dolly Hand Cultural Arts Center on Saturday, June 26 at 7 p.m.

All Greeks and community organizations are invited to come out and celebrate this milestone with the Zeta Phi Beta Sorority.

Tickets may be purchased for \$10 from any chapter member.

## Vacation Bible School

First United Methodist Church of Pahokee will be offering Vacation Bible School beginning June 14 through June 18 from 6 to 8:30 p.m. The event begins with a light

meal for those attending at 6 p.m. each evening at the Fellowship Hall. Titled "The Ultimate Adventure with Jesus", the event is open to children ages 2-11.

For more information call the church office at 924-7241 or the VBS coordinator at 924-5764. First United Methodist Church is located at 491 East Main Street, across from Discount Auto Parts.

## Vacation Bible School

The public is invited to participate in New Bethel Missionary Baptist Church's Vacation Bible School from June 14-19, Monday through Saturday, from 5 to 7:30 p.m.

The theme is "Pressing for the Prize." New Bethel Missionary Baptist Church is located at 1101 West Avenue A, Belle Glade. The closing ceremony will be a family picnic on June 19 from 1 to 3 p.m.

For additional information contact Autrie Williams at 996-5961.

## Special services

Rev. Arnold Godwin, well-known recording artist and preacher, will present two special services on Sunday, June 6 at 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. at Community Fellowship Church of God of Prophecy, 601 S.E. 12th Street and State Road 880, Belle Glade.

Rev. Godwin is known for his famous recording of "Remember Me" and "Let Go and Let God." He has recently recorded a new C.D. entitled "On the Mountain."

Pastor Rev. Jean Ingram extends a warm invitation to the public to attend.

For more information please call 996-5054.

## Glisson Reunion

The 23rd Annual Glisson Family Reunion will be held Saturday, June 5 at Sunland Environmental Park, Mariana. All Glisson descendants and friends are invited to attend and bring a covered dish.

## By Mike Lyons

It's hard to believe that the 1999 hurricane season is just around the corner. The season officially begins on June 1 and runs for six months, concluding just after Thanksgiving.

Most experts believe 1999 will be another busy year in the tropics. Dr. William Gray, the seasonal hurricane forecaster from Colorado State University, predicts 14 named storms may form this summer.

That is the same number of storms we saw last year. Of those 14, 10 matured into hurricanes while three, Bonnie, Georges and Mitch, developed into major hurricanes. Seven tropical cyclones struck the United States. Florida was hit by three hurricanes in 1998.

Still, something good did come out of the 1998 season of storms: knowledge about hurricanes. With so many storms to study, scientists and researchers have been learning a lot more about the most powerful storm on earth.

The 1998 season was very active, too and gave scientists more chances to study these huge storms. Take Hurricane Opal, for example. A study by the Department of Environmental Protection reveals that more homes and businesses were damaged or destroyed by the storm surge from Opal than by all other coastal storms in Florida combined since 1975.

"Opal's" damage resulting from coastal flooding and erosion exceeded that of Hurricane Andrew, Hurricane Eloise and other severe storms in recent years," the report said.

Opal, packing winds of 150 mph, hit the Florida panhandle on

Street and eliminate the signal on 5th Street.

Mr. Schenck also told the commission he made some inquiries on the cost to construct a city swimming pool and determined the costs were too high.

Commissioners have decided they will leave the signal at 4th



Mike Lyons

tober 4, 1995. It produced over \$3 billion in damage, making it one of the worst hurricanes to strike the United States since Hurricane Andrew in 1992.

Still, something good did come out of Hurricane Andrew, most of Opal's damage was caused by water, especially a storm surge of 12 to 15 feet above sea level. The study says that 538 homes, 314 multifamily dwellings and 139 structures were severely damaged or destroyed.

This report is a reminder that it's the water of a hurricane, not the wind, that causes the most damage.

That same water is the reason most people die in a hurricane. Nine out of 10 persons who are killed by a tropical system drown in the storm surge and flooding. At least, that's the way it used to be.

Thanks to weather satellites, Doppler radars and the professionals at the National Hurricane Center, we now have plenty of time to get out of the way of an advancing hurricane. In fact, a study by the Center for

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SPEAK OUT!  
(561) 996-6636

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*Call 996-6636 to express your opinion or ask questions about public issues. You are not required to give your name. While we want you to speak out freely, the newspaper reserves the right to edit calls for clarity, brevity, relevance and fairness.*

**What's going on at city hall?**

"I wanted to write and let you know that hiring games are still being played at Belle Glade City Hall."

I hear that our City Manager has just hired the sister of the lady who runs the personnel department at the City. She is going to be the Assistant City Manager. I sure hope the City Manager knew up front that it was her sister and that her sister didn't help her get that job.

Is it true that this lady ran the campaign for Commissioner Wilkerson last year and she got the job because of that?

I don't know what's going on down there at City Hall, but I sure think we better start asking some questions.

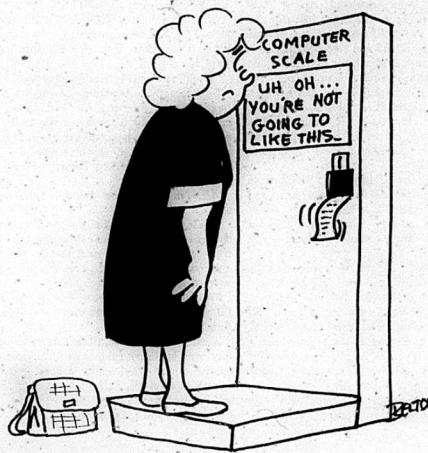
I also heard that there were others who

applied for the job, but he had to hire a non-white-person to get this job. Is this true, too?

Wake up Belle Glade. This is your city being run by one family. Thank you."

**Belle Glade's City Manager W. Shelton Smith** responds: "The Human Resources manager excused herself when I interviewed her sister. She had nothing to do with whom I hired as Assistant to the City Manager. This position is an administrative position."

I knew nothing about the new Assistant to the City Manager working in someone's campaign when I hired her. I hired who I thought was best for the position."



**LOOKING BACK THROUGH TIME...** This photo was taken from the 1967 Rambler Yearbook for Belle Glade High School and shows local girls at the radish packing house owned by Gressinger & Sons.

**The Sun**

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## Letters to the Editor

### Writer feels debutante article was degrading

The following article was written by a Belle Glade resident in response to the article in another newspaper about the debutantes in Belle Glade. Because this is unsigned, we would normally place it in the Speak Out section, but because it is so long, for space reasons, we placed it on the right hand side of this page. It was edited for length and content.

Dear Editor:

I became very upset after reading the first and the last couple of paragraphs in the Accent portion of *The Palm Beach Post* newspaper, dated Sunday, April 25, 1999. I do not understand the rationale that some individuals have for humiliating their homeland, as well as the place they continue to reside in, just for the media's sake. If Belle Glade is such a place with no excitement and no happenings, why are they still here?

Every time an article appears in some newspapers in regards to Belle Glade, it's negative, not once have our students come to school and had a bloody massacre, but our area is labeled as having the worst kids, and the highest threat rates. Why is it that the media is never involved when we are doing positive things, and if some, why are those articles so short and in very fine print? Belle Glade has some of the most intellectually and athletically inclined individuals on the face of this earth!

I never thought the Debutantes, the young ladies who are so intellectually inclined, would degrade their homeland so much. This is not in reference to all of the Debutantes, but to the ones who spoke out negatively.

As for myself, I love Belle Glade. Belle Glade is a city that has its ups and downs, just like any other city or state. Belle Glade is composed

of some of the nicest individuals you could ever meet. Most importantly, Belle Glade is a blessed area, with some praying individuals. God looks out for all His people in all areas, but we must say that God has, and is truly watching over us.

We have been blessed with young millionaire football players! Who would have ever thought that little old Belle Glade would have possessed NFL players?

Even though we have been placed on the map with all of our negativity, God has found favor with us as a people. Despite all of our criticism, we will remain on top!

The three main things that caught my attention about this article, aside from how Belle Glade was labeled, was the way in which both of the prayers were started and the unclear message it represented. First of all, nay prayer should begin with "Our Father" and not "Dear God" because we no longer live under the law, we are presently living under grace. Secondly, I hate to listen to the way in which people talk about Belle Glade as being a place of no excitement. If the individuals who are now millionaires because of God, would give back to their homeland by building places like malls, theaters and other places that would attract the attention of the people who are in Belle Glade, it would be much more exciting for those who complain about it.

In closing, remember that Belle Glade may not be suitable for some criticizing individuals, but for us who love Belle Glade - continue to love your safe haven. Belle Glade is blessed beyond measures and God is continuing to shield His armor of protection around us.

Sincerely

A Belle Glade Resident

### Literacy Project says "thank you"

Dear Editor:

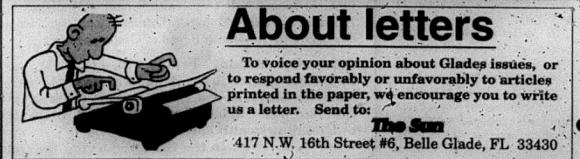
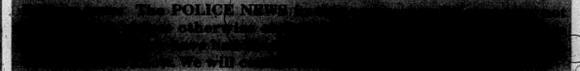
I am writing to express my gratitude for your generous gift of time and talent for our Recognition Meeting. I also appreciated the quality of the pictures you took, the write-ups for each one and the amount of space you gave for this event. In a very special way you have helped us to make this a memorable event.

As you know, the confidentiality aspect of our program can make advertising about it a spe-

cial challenge. In spite of this, you have continued to assist us in letting others know about the need for and importance of this program. On behalf of all of those involved in the Palm Beach County Library Literacy Project, I thank you.

Sincerely yours,

Patricia Rogan  
Literacy Specialist



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# Lake Okeechobee Navigation locks open until further notice

The South Florida Water Management District reports lake levels have apparently stabilized near the 13.5 NGVD elevation, and as a result, several navigation locks leading into Lake Okeechobee have been secured in the open position since May 27. They will remain open as long as conditions permit.

The navigation locks that are open include J & S Fish Camp (S-135), Henry Creek (G-36), Taylor Creek (S-193) and Buckhead Ridge (S-127). Locktenders will remain on duty at these locations while the transition to securing the locks in an open position is made.

Boaters are urged to navigate carefully through the open locks as manatees often

are sighted in and near our structures in Lake Okeechobee during this time of year. Manatees are frequently seen in the navigation lock at Taylor Creek, which is especially popular for this endangered species. Manatees swim close to the surface of the water and often are harmed and even killed by boaters moving too fast in areas where manatees gather.

It is possible to secure the navigation locks in an open position only when the level of Lake Okeechobee falls to approximately the same level as the tributaries coming into the lake so that boaters may navigate safely from the tributary into the lake. The water level in Lake Okeechobee on

Thursday, May 27 was at 13.51 feet. The navigation lock at Lakeport (S-131) will not be considered for opening until the lake level stabilizes near 13 feet.

When conditions call for the District to return to normal lock operation schedules, the public will be notified through the news media. Normal lock operating hours vary depending on the location and season. Please check with the locktender for hours of operation when locking through.

Boaters are asked to call the Okeechobee Service Center with questions and comments in the absence of a locktender. The Service Center telephone number is (404) 462-5260 or (800) 250-4200.

## American Legion hosts Memorial Day Services

A memorial to fit the millennium was hosted by American Legion Post 20 at the Belle Glade Marina on Sunday, May 30.

Guest Speaker was Belle Glade City Commissioner Steve Weeks, who captured the spirit of the day with reference to those we honor and reverence to those we serve. "In God We Trust", as spoken by Commissioner Weeks, was heard as "With God We Serve" by many.

The heartfelt commentary crossed a bridge for many, recognizing and honoring those

who sacrificed, while setting the tone for celebrating that which they protected and won.

State Commander of the American Legion, D.H. Lawrence honored the Post, the Ladies Auxiliary and the Sons of the American Legion. The three organizations were recognized for their ability to work together on civic and patriotic functions.

The state commander was born in the Glades and raised at Bryant, Florida. He lived in Muck City, now known as Peli-can Lake. He and his wife, Lil-

ian, said visiting Post 20 in Belle Glade was always like coming home.

The cooking crew (always appreciated and seldom recognized) will be happy to know they have again won international acclaim. A couple from England, who returned for two more plates of food, commented "It's very good. You know, we don't have this in Britain."

Post Commander Mel Cole and Auxiliary President Angela Gargulio want to thank the community for their support of this function.

citizens to help locate **Antrone McCants**, who is wanted for violation of probation on charges of aggravated battery with a deadly weapon and aggravated assault with a firearm.

McCants is a black male, 6'0" tall, and weighs 160 pounds. He has black hair and brown eyes and a tattoo on his left arm.

His date of birth is May 17, 1977. His last address was

300 N.W. 11th Street, Apartment 5, Belle Glade. His Social Security number is 262-79-9950 and his last occupation was a planter.

His warrant was active as of May 25, 1999.

If you know the whereabouts of McCants, or anyone involved in a serious crime, call Crime Stoppers at 1-800-458-8477. You can remain anonymous and still receive a cash reward if your tip leads to an arrest.

**Arrest Blotters**

Crime Stoppers of Palm Beach County, Inc., is asking

for your help in locating



INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS...The Belle Glade Woman's Club installed new officers at their meeting on May 27 at the Drawbridge Cafe. Shown, from left, are: President Sandra Chamblee, First Vice President Brenda Bunting, Treasurer Gloria Swager, Joan White, District Ten Director who did the installation, Secretary Jean Day, and Corresponding Secretary Vivian Pate. Not shown is Second Vice President Dorine Woodham.

## Bank of America honors Hattie Bennett for volunteer work



Hattie Bennett

In keeping with its support of associates and their community involvement, Bank of America (formerly NationsBank) has recognized Hattie Bennett of Belle Glade with its annual Leadership Excellence in Neighborhood Development Award. Mrs. Bennett is the

Banking Center Manager at NationsBank.

Developed by the company's Community Development Banking Group, the LEND Award honors Bank of America associates who show outstanding leadership in their local communities, through initiatives in the bank and/or community outreach outside the bank. Associates are nominated for the award by their peers and managers.

As part of this honor, Bank of America makes a \$1,000 contribution in the name of each award recipient to a local nonprofit organization designated by the honoree. Nationally, the bank is contributing \$227,000 to nonprofit organizations, with a total of 227 award recipients throughout the company.

Mrs. Bennett designated the

Glades Community Development Corporation for her \$1,000 donation. She is on the finance committee at GCDC. She is also the treasurer of the Belle Glade Chamber of Commerce and past president of the Belle Glade Lions Club. She serves on the Black Gold Jubilee Committee and teaches Junior Achievement at area high schools.

Mrs. Bennett received her award at ceremonies in Fort Worth, Texas, May 6-7. During her stay at Ft. Worth she helped in several community service projects, including constructing two playgrounds and landscaping a local park.

NationsBank, Florida recently merged with Bank of America creating the new Bank of America. It has full-service operations in 22 states and the District of Columbia.

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Monday, June 7 - Friday, June 11, 1999  
Workshops (Leadership or Music & Arts) 9:30 - 10:15 a.m.

General Sessions 10:45 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Evening Services 7:15 p.m.

Pastors & Leaders Luncheon • Tuesday, June 8, 1999

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- BGN, MBNA Platinum 200**  
1 p.m. • Saturday • TNN
- Winston Cup, MBNA Platinum 400**  
12:30 p.m. • Sunday • TNN

### 1999 POINTS STANDINGS

Winston Cup	Race	Driver	Team
1. Dale Jarrett, 1,824	Matt Kenseth, 1,983	Jack Sprague, 1,266	
2. Jeff Burton, 1,791	Dale Earnhardt Jr., 1,899	Ron Hornaday, 1,260	
3. Jeff Gordon, 1,735	Mark Martin, 1,858	Steve Wallace, 1,239	
4. Mark Martin, 1,735	Elton Sawyer, 1,728	Greg Biffle, 1,095	
5. Tony Stewart, 1,530	Jason Keller, 1,637	Kevin Harvick, 1,093	
6. Ward Burton, 1,481	Todd Bodine, 1,611	Dennis Setzer, 1,085	
7. Dale Earnhardt, 1,478	Jeff Purvis, 1,597	Mike Wallace, 1,064	
8. Jeff Gordon, 1,470	Dave Blaney, 1,498	Mike McLaughlin, 1,062	
9. Rusty Wallace, 1,442	Mike McLaughlin, 1,479	Kevin Cywinski, 1,062	
10. Terry Labonte, 1,437	Casey Atwood, 1,451	Jimmy Hensley, 1,045	

### TOP TEN

■ Weekly rankings by NASCAR This Week writer Monte Dutton. Last week's ranking is in parentheses.

- 1. (5) Jeff Burton
- 2. (1) Dale Jarrett
- 3. (3) Bobby Labonte
- 4. (4) Mark Martin
- 5. (2) Jeff Gordon
- 6. (7) Tony Stewart
- 7. (6) Terry Labonte
- 8. (8) Rusty Wallace
- 9. (9) Dale Earnhardt
- 10. (—) Ward Burton

Three wins, like other Jeff  
Still leads points  
Another week, another pole  
Third isn't bad.  
Will problems never cease?  
Rookie's for real  
Still 11th in 600  
Crashed out early  
Out-finished Junior  
Feeling puny, finished 8th

### 1999 WINSTON CUP SCHEDULE

Date	Track	Location
June 6	Dover Downs International Speedway	Dover, Del.
June 13	Michigan Speedway	Brooklyn, Mich.
June 20	Pocono Raceway	Long Pond, Pa.
June 27	Sears Point	Santa Rosa, Calif.
July 3	Daytona International Speedway	Daytona Beach, Fla.
July 10	New Hampshire International Speedway	Loudon, N.H.
July 25	Pocono Raceway	Long Pond, Pa.
Aug. 7	Indianapolis Motor Speedway	Speedway, Ind.
Aug. 15	Watkins Glen International	Watkins Glen, N.Y.
Aug. 22	Michigan International	Brockway, Mich.
Aug. 29	Bristol Motor Speedway	Bristol, Tenn.
Sept. 5	Darlington Raceway	Darlington, S.C.
Sept. 11	Richmond International Raceway	Richmond, Va.
Sept. 19	New Hampshire International Speedway	Loudon, N.H.
Sept. 26	Dover Downs International Speedway	Dover, Del.
Oct. 3	Daytona International Speedway	Daytona Beach, Fla.
Oct. 10	Chattanooga Motor Speedway	Concord, N.C.
Oct. 17	Talladega Superspeedway	Talladega, Ala.
Oct. 24	North Carolina Speedway	Rockingham, N.C.
Nov. 7	Phoenix International Raceway	Avondale, Ariz.
Nov. 14	Miami-Dade Homestead Motorsports Complex	Homestead, Fla.

### FROM LAST WEEK

#### WINSTON CUP SERIES

Jeff Burton captured his third victory of the season, and first ever at Lowe's Motor Speedway, with a richly entertaining victory over Bobby Labonte in the Coca-Cola 600. Tony Stewart was a contender as well, but the strain of driving in both the Indy 500 and the Coke 600 eventually caused Stewart to slump to fourth, behind Mark Martin, Burton and Martin, both of whom drove for Jack Roush, were first and third. Labonte and Stewart, in Joe Gibbs-owned Pontiacs, were second and fourth.

#### BUSCH GRAND NATIONAL

Another impressive weekend for Martin began with yet another BGN victory in the CarQuest 300 at the 1.5-mile Charlotte tri-oval. Martin, who has never won the series championship, won for the 38th time in the series. That's seven more than anyone in history.

#### FEUD OF THE WEEK

##### Tony Stewart vs. John Menard

It was Menard, Stewart's ex-ricky Racing League car owner, who unsuccessfully sued to prevent Stewart from competing in both the Indianapolis 500 and the Coca-Cola 600. Menard's car, driven by Robby Gordon, would have won at Indy had it not run out of gas just before the white flag.

**NASCAR This Week's Monte Dutton gives his opinion:** "Stewart wants to put his tiff with Menard behind him, but on a day in which the brilliant Winston Cup rookie finished in the top 10 in both events, one of his happier moments had to be when Gordon, in Menard's car, coasted to a halt. The failed gamble handed the 500 to Kenny Brack, who drives for A.J. Foyt, with whom Stewart is close."

#### AROUND THE GARAGE

### Stewart's double impressive, despite two failures

**By Monte Dutton**  
NASCAR This Week

**CONCORD, N.C.** — In the end, Tony Stewart's double was a moral victory but a glorious failure.

At the end of the Coca-Cola 600, Stewart simply ran out of fuel, not in his No. 20 Pontiac but bodily. Stewart could have won the race, but the final 100 miles saw him fade badly to a fourth-place finish.

Stewart collapsed as he climbed out of his car and was rushed to the infirmary center.

"It was disappointing that

Bobby (Labonte) lost a million

dollars by a hundred feet, but I can't fault the effort of either of my drivers," said Joe Gibbs. "Tony had a great day. You can't fault his effort and the courage he showed."

**ALL PETTY BLUE:** In August, four Petty Enterprises vehicles will carry similar paint jobs into competition in three NASCAR divisions for a weekend commemorating the 50th anniversary of the Randleman-based family operation.

Petty Pontiacs driven by Kyle Petty and John Andretti will participate in the Brickyard 400 at Indianapolis Motor Speedway on Friday, Aug. 6.

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Jimmy Hensley drives a Petty-owned Dodge Ram truck, and Adam Petty drives a Chevrolet and Pontiac in Busch Grand National. All four vehicles will carry similar blue ("Petty blue" to race fans) paint schemes with gold trim.

**MOORE FOR NADEAU:** Veteran mechanic Newt Moore has joined Melling Racing to be car

chief for Jerry Nadeau. Moore will work in tandem with crew chief Jeff Buice on the No. 9 Ford.

The Melling team was saddened by the death on May 29 of Harry Melling, 54, the team's owner and founder. Melling's son remains in primary charge of the race team.

**THREE BY THE WAYSIDE:** Wednesday night's Charlotte qualifying session marked the first time all season that Tony Stewart, Dale Jarrett and Kenny Irwin did not take one of the 25 available first-round spots. Now, only Mark Martin and Jeff Gordon can claim that distinction.

### ON THE SCHEDULE

#### THE WINSTON CUP SERIES

**Coming up:** MBNA Platinum 400

**Where:** Dover (Del.) Downs International Speedway, 1-mile track; 400 laps; 106.6 miles.

**When:** Sunday, June 6

**Defending champion:** Dale Jarrett

**Event qualifying records:**

Rusty Wallace, Ford, 155.898 mph, May 29, 1998

**Race record:** Derrike Cope, Chevrolet, 123.960 mph, June 3, 1990

**MBNA GRAND NATIONAL**

**Coming up:** MBNA Platinum 200

**Where:** Dover (Del.) Downs International Speedway, 1-mile track; 200 laps; 106.6 miles.

**When:** Saturday, June 5

**Defending champion:** Ron Hornaday

**Track qualifying record:**

Kevin Grubb, Chevrolet, 153.498 mph, Sept. 18, 1998

**Race record:** Dale

Earnhardt Jr., Chevrolet, 130.152 mph, May 30, 1998

**CRAFTSMAN TRUCKS**

**Coming up:** Loadhandler 200

**Where:** Bristol (Tenn.) Motor Speedway, 533-mile track, 200 laps, 106.6 miles

**When:** Saturday, June 5

**Defending champion:** Ron Hornaday

**Track qualifying record:**

Ron Hornaday, Chevrolet, 212.213 mph, June 19, 1998

**Race record:** Rick Carelli, Chevrolet, 83.992 mph, June 23, 1998

If you've got a question, a comment, write.

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### Your Turn

Letters From Our Readers

#### Dear NASCAR This Week,

As an avid NASCAR fan, I am very disappointed. For what is advertised to be a home-in-America, all-American sport, any collectible I purchase from NASCAR or one of my favorite drivers is made overseas (Japan, China, etc.).

I do not understand why they cannot spend their money where they make it, in the USA.

Steve McMaster  
Chicora, Pa.

Thanks for your comments.

#### Dear NASCAR This Week,

While watching the April 18 race at Martinsville, I noticed that although Jeff Gordon qualified ninth and Rusty Wallace qualified fifth, Gordon's pit was one spot ahead of Rusty. What gives? I thought the order in which you determined where you would pit. Can you explain what is going on?

Mark Tomlinson  
Punta Gorda, Fla.

The qualifying order determines the order in which the pit locations are chosen, not the order of those locations. In other words, the pole winner gets first choice, the second-place qualifier second choice and so on. In the example cited, Wallace's team apparently chose a location that was behind Gordon. In most instances, but not all, the pole winner selects the position at the front of the pit slots because that location is considered advantageous.

### CREW OF THE WEEK

It's no secret that the Winston Cup race is won at the last minute. In 1998, it was Jeff Gordon who won the race at the last minute. Gordon's team apparently chose a location that was behind Gordon. In most instances, but not all, the pole winner selects the position at the front of the pit slots because that location is considered advantageous.

### PROFILE

## Tony Stewart

By Monte Dutton  
NASCAR This Week

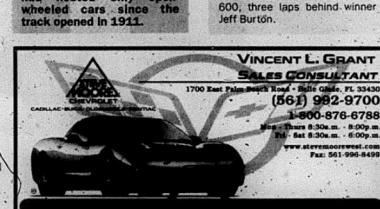


Tony Stewart talks with the media as he prepares to climb into his car prior to the start of the Coca-Cola 600.

Mike Hensley/NASCAR This Week

### FROM THE ARCHIVES

**Rick Mast, an otherwise little-known driver from Rockbridge, Va., earned himself a place in history by winning the pole for the first Brickyard 400 at Indianapolis Motor Speedway. In 1994, Mast turned a lap at 172.424 mph at the 2.5-mile track, which had hosted only open-wheeled cars since the track opened in 1911.**



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**FUTURE GOLF PRO'S...** Gove Elementary Fitness Club attended a Golf Clinic at the PGA Golf course. Fourteen students received personal instruction from collegiate coaches and players. The Physical Education Department of Gove Elementary would like to thank Orange Farms for their support for the two field trips this year. The field trips would not have been possible if they had not provided transportation and also drove and chaperoned.



**FOUNDATION AWARDS SCHOLARSHIPS...** The Community Foundation Awarded scholarships to nine students including Sandy Cesaire of Glades Central High who received a \$5,000 scholarship. Shown from Left to Right) Megan Green, Anisha Henry, Juliet Vargas and Sandy Cesaire.

Other Belle Glade students not pictured but also receiving scholarships were Percy Napier and Curneisha Bryant, both of Glades Central High School.



### Eva Marie Van Winkle and Brandon Keith Collier to wed

Albert and Ann Van Winkle of Belle Glade have announced the wedding of their daughter Eva Marie Van Winkle to Brandon Keith Collier of Canal Point.

The bride-to-be graduated from Glades Central High School and attended Palm Beach Community College. She is employed as a bartender at the Drawbridge Cafe.

The prospective bridegroom is the son of Charles and Teryl Collier of Canal Point. He is a graduate of Pahokee High School and ITT Technical School. He is employed as a sales clerk at Terra Industries.

The double ring ceremony will be held June 12 at Canal Point Baptist Church with Rev. Jim Bennett officiating.



**YOUTH AWARDS...** Rantta Burden and Clarence Anthony received the Youth Sports Achievement Awards. It is a very prestigious award given to only eight of over 100 students each trimester. They will compete for the 1999 male and female Athlete of the Year.

### Pahokee Elementary Award Ceremonies

Parents are cordially invited to participate in their child's end of the year program at Pahokee Elementary.

Parents of students who made A's & B's all year, look forward to a coupon to enjoy lunch with your child on the day of their program.

The award ceremonies are as follows:

**Thursday, June 4 (Cafeteria)**  
2nd Grade 8:45 a.m.  
1st Grade 9:20 a.m.  
Kindergarten 9:50 a.m.

**Friday, June 5 (Cafeteria)**  
3rd Grade 8:45 a.m.  
4th Grade 9:20 a.m.  
5th Grade 9:50 a.m.

**Tuesday, June 8 (P.H.S. Gym)**  
6th Grade 9:30 a.m.

### I Made A Difference

David Slydell, a Pahokee city employee, was awarded a "I Made A Difference" certificate from Alice Thompson, Director of the Pahokee Chamber during the last commission meeting on Tuesday, May 25.

Mrs. Thompson told the commission she was proud to give the award to such a wonderful person as Dave Slydell.

"The award carries with it a lot of love and appreciation for what you do, Dave, for this city," said Mrs. Thompson.

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**HERE'S THE MONEY....**David Roche (left), Executive Director of the Fla. Inland Navigation District presented a check for \$74,867 to Mayor Alvis Davis (right).

This is a portion of grant monies needed to improve the Pahokee Marine. So far the district has returned \$290,000 through grants to assist in improving the Pahokee Marine. The improvements should total around \$452,000.

## Game and Fresh Water Fish Commission sets hunting season during their final meeting

The Game and Fresh Water Fish Commission (GFC) has set the hunting seasons for migratory game birds.

Mourning dove and white winged dove season will be Oct. 2-25, Nov. 13-Nov. 28 and Dec. 11-Jan. 9. Early wood duck and teal season will be Sept. 25-Sept. 29, regular duck and coot season will be Nov. 20-Jan. 19. Rail and common moorhen season will be Sept. 1-Nov. 9. Snipe season will be Nov. 1-1 Feb. 15. Woodcock season will be Dec. 18-Jan. 16 and crow season will be Nov. 13-Jan. 23 and May 13-Nov. 5.

In addition, the GFC also established a Nov. 20-Jan. 28 Canada goose season for Lake Seminole in Jackson County and a light goose (snow goose and Ross' goose) season, north and west of the Suwannee River, concurrent with the regular duck and coot season.

The 56-year old GFC will cease to exist on July 1 when the new Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission will take over as the state's primary wildlife agency.

The GFC adopted a resolution on May 14, officially relinquishing its powers, authority, resources and assets to the new Commission.

In other business, the GFC adopted new procedures for listing, delisting and reclassifying fish and wildlife as endangered, threatened or species of special concern and added language to the rules that ensure the species' protection.

The GFC also adopted rules to prohibiting harvest of softshell turtles on their eggs during the May through July 31 nesting season, establish possession limits for certain turtle eggs taken from the wild, prohibit the purchase or sale of turtle eggs taken from the wild, and allow possession of no more than 50 eggs of native freshwater turtles taken from the wild.

Other action by the Commissioners include approval of staff recommendations to acquire five small inholdings in the Three Lakes Wildlife Management Area (WMA), acquire the 21.6 acre Vielhaer parcel in the Yucca Pens Unit of the Fred C. Babcock/Cecil M. Webb WMA, acquire the 11.66-acre Landen Management parcel in the Caravelle Ranch WMA, and acquire the 720 acre Mizah Tract as an addition to the Chassahowitzka WMA under an agreement with the Southwest Florida Water Management District.

The GFC conducted a joint workshop with the Marine Fisheries Commission May 26 and May 27 at the Florida Department of Law Enforcement complex in Tallahassee.

The inaugural meeting of the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission will take place July 7 and July 8 in the Ft. Lauderdale area.

Ed Moyer, head of the agency's Division of Fisheries, won approval for the division's aquatic resource enhancement priorities for the coming fiscal

year.

The Community Foundation administrators approximately 55 scholarships from funds created by contributors throughout Palm Beach and Martin Counties.

Their awards were among a record \$245,650 in scholarships distributed to 67 students, primarily graduating high school seniors from throughout the two counties.

Both dollar amount of the scholarships presented and the number of recipients set records for the foundation, which awarded scholarships totaling \$176,200 to 47 individuals one year ago.

"We are delighted to be able to help so many outstanding students continue their education in colleges and universities as well as agricultural and technical schools," noted Shannon Sadler, president of the Community Foundation. "Our scholarship program is one of the most satisfying ways in which we serve our community. We thank the contributors who make these scholarships possible through their gifts to the foundation."

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The following graduating high school seniors from central and western Palm Beach County received scholarships:

Curneisha Bryant of

Glades Central High School received \$1,000 from NationsBank Minority Student Scholarship.

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Glades Central High School received \$5,000 from Adele Wells Meyer Memorial Scholarship.

Percy Napier of Glades Central High School received \$1,000 from Inez Peppers Lovett Scholarship.

## Glades Medical Clinic is in mourning.

After 40 years of helping patients in the Glades, Onita Beale has passed away. She was our nurse, our friend, our advisor. Onita was family. No matter how busy she was, she would always stop and take the time to help anyone in need. Onita will be in our thoughts and prayers, forever missed, and always remembered.

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